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In re the Application of

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Application No.: New U.S. National Stage of PCT/FR03/02970

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For: METHOD OF PRODUCING AN UNCOOKED PRESSED CHEESE PASTE AND
PASTE THUS OBTAINED

**SMALL ENTITY ASSERTION AND
REQUEST FOR REFUND**

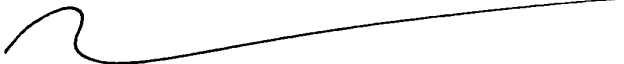
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Sir:

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. §1.27(c), entitlement to small entity status is hereby asserted. It is respectfully requested that the Patent Office records be marked accordingly and that all future fees be accepted on a Small Entity basis. Furthermore, it is respectfully requested that one-half of the application fee, in the amount of \$ 450.00, be refunded to Deposit Account No. 15-0461 in view of the timely submission of this assertion. See 37 C.F.R. §1.28(a).

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